13: Hodge & Taylor N. E-5 (1930-1956) 1957
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GRAMINEAE. Grass Family.

824 **Andropogon bicornis** Linnaeus, Sp. Pl. 1046. 1753.
Anatherum bicorne Beauvois, Ess. Agrost. 128. 1812.
Panache.

A species found from southern Mexico to Brazil and throughout the West Indies, usually on grassy slopes.

[342 352] Panache is employed by the Carib as a second-rate thatching material while the hairs of the raceme are sometimes used to stuff pillows.

Specimen citation: 3166, 3352.

Bambusa vulgaris Schrader ex Wendland, Coll. Pl. 2: 26. t. 47. 1810.
Bambusa sieberi Griesbach, Fl. Br. W. I. 528. 1864.
Common Bamboo. — *kwáwa* (« plume », « panache »).

Common bamboo, a native of the Old World, is now widely planted in the tropics of both hemispheres. In Dominica the beautiful arching plumes of this grass are familiar especially along roads and water courses at lower and middle elevations.

[227] Wherever it is grown bamboo has a number of native uses.
[312] The Creoles of Dominica construct fishpots from the split stems, and the canes themselves with the septa removed often serve as temporary water pipes.

285 824 The Carib Indians dry the stems indoors and then split them into fine strands which are woven into *sambwra*, a kind of round basket with a narrow mouth used for the catch made while fishing from the coastal rocks or in the rivers. Except for its shape the *sambwra* is of similar construction (a round radial type) to baskets made of *wibi* (*Anthurium palmatum* and *Monstera pertusa*), liane pomme (*Passiflora laurifolia*), and the like. Bamboo is employed 824 [283] also in fashioning a strong type of garden basket and, as a substitute for cotton thread, in the making of *kali*, the Carib and [227] local name for a kind of fishpot or landing net used to catch flying fish.

Specimen citation: 174.